Thursday, 17 September 2009 9.00 h

Aula Absidale di Santa Lucia Via de' Chiari, 25/a – Bologna

Crisis, Cuts, Contemplations How Academia may help rescuing Society

Pier Ugo Calzolari – Rector of the University of Bologna Welcome remarks

Fabio Roversi-Monaco – Honorary President of the Magna Charta Observatory Opening address

**Bastian Baumann** – Secretary General of the Magna Charta Observatory *Highlights of the Observatory Activities* 

**Andrew McIntosh** – Member of the Parliamentary Assembly, Council of Europe

Higher Education in a Time of Social and Economic Change: What Contributions Must Universities and Public Authorities Make

**Steve Fuller** – University of Warwick, United Kingdom *Is Academic Freedom Affordable in a Time of Economic Crisis?* 

**Saleh Hashem** – Secretary General of the Association of Arab Universities

Higher Education as a Key to Further Development - Lessons from the Arab World

Working Group Sessions

WG 1: How can universities contribute to solving problems caused by a crisis?

WG 2: Dying of species - the Darwinism of academic disciplines

WG 3: Private or state influence on academic programmes: a threat to freedom?

WG 4: Business studies, academic freedom and ethics

WG 5: Are changes in university governance necessary as a reaction to economic challenges?

Reports from the Working Groups

**Monique Fouilhoux** – Deputy Secretary General of Education International

Jairam Reddy – Consultant on Higher Education, South Africa

Reactions

## Friday 18 September 2009 10.30 h

Aula Magna di S. Lucia Via Castiglione, 36 – Bologna

The Ceremony of the Signature of the Magna Charta Universitatum

Pier Ugo Calzolari – Rector of the University of Bologna Welcome address

Dimitrios Tsougarakis – Rector of the Ionian University, Greece Universities and Regional Development

## Signing of the Magna Charta Universitatum

Words of thanks on behalf of the Signatories

Concluding remarks